

SENATE BILL 3542

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4;  
Title 33; Title 34; Title 35; Title 39; Title 56; Title  
63; Title 68 and Title 71, relative to long-term care.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 2, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section thereto:

71-2-1\_\_\_. The commission, in consultation with the department of commerce and insurance, shall develop recommendations for increased accessibility to long-term care insurance. The commission shall submit its recommendations to the governor and the general assembly by March 1, 2009.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 5, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section thereto:

71-5-1\_\_\_. As soon as is practicable, the commissioner of finance and administration is directed to seek an amendment to the state plan for medical assistance to implement a qualified state long-term care insurance partnership as permitted by the Deficit Reduction Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 2005, P.L. 109-171. Any policy qualifying under this program must meet any regulations, recommendations and standards provided for such partnership policies pursuant to such federal statute.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.